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Mutaginicity Testing and Toxicology Experts

Dear Paul:

Re:

Enclosed is Dr. Rex Lovrein's paper on mutagenicity testing of samples from the Reilly Tar site in St. Louis Park and from the Koppers site in St. Paul. Dr. Lovrein sent the paper to Mike Convery of the Minnesota Department of Health about a month ago. As I discussed with you yesterday and Bob previously, I think the paper should be submitted to Drs. Selkirk and Bingham for their review and comment.

At our meeting with Drs. Selkirk and Bingham last summer, they favored performing mutagenicity testing on samples from the Reilly site and nearby wells. I am not aware of any further work in this direction and believe it is important to schedule such work in order to have the toxicological case ready for trial.

Very truly yours,

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